

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph at page 4, lines 16-32 with the following amended paragraph:

Surprisingly, it was found that the addition of amino acids on their own, without other stabilisers (such as nicotinamide), and the adjustment of the pH of the final preparation markedly increases the stability of those preparations, particularly at ambient temperature. The increased stability is demonstrated by better stability of the preparations at temperatures between about 2°C and about 40°C, particularly at ambient temperature which preferably ranges from about 10°C, more preferably from about 15°C, more preferably from about 20°C to about 30°C, most preferably to about 25°C. The increased stability of the preparations of the invention is also visible at higher temperatures of about 30°C to about 40°C, including body temperature of about 37°C. Preferably, the increased stability is alternatively or additionally further defined as improved storage time, decreased fragmentation, decreased aggregate formation, decreased dimer formation or/and decreased ~~discolouring~~coloring. The improved storage time means that the preparations of the invention are preferably stable for at least 30 days, preferably at least 60 days, more preferably at least 90 days, more preferably at least 120 days, more preferably even longer than that.